

Bundle Structure of the Homeomorphism Groups of Locally Compact Homogeneous Spaces

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Abstract

The space $\mathcal{H}(X)$ of homeomorphisms on a locally compact homogeneous space X with a local cross-section is a bundle space over X . If X is separable metrizable and admits a nontrivial flow in addition, then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is an l_2 -manifold if and only if X is an ANR and $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ is an l_2 -manifold, where $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ is the subspace of $\mathcal{H}(X)$ consisting of all those which leave a point a of X fixed. If X is a locally connected, compact metrizable homogeneous space that is an ANR and admits a local cross-section and a nontrivial flow, then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is an l_2 -manifold if and only if $\mathcal{H}(X-a)$ is an l_2 -manifold, where $\mathcal{H}(X-a)$ is the space of homeomorphisms on $X-a$ ($a \in X$).

Introduction

McCarty [8] has shown that for a locally connected, locally compact Hausdorff homogeneous space X with a local cross-section, its full homeomorphism group $\mathcal{H}(X)$ with compact-open topology is a principal fiber bundle over X , and in particular if the set X is a locally connected, locally compact Hausdorff topological group then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a product bundle. And noting the existence of a natural exact homotopy sequence he studied homotopy groups of several manifolds. On the other hand Keesling ([7], p. 15) has remarked that if X is a locally compact Hausdorff topological group then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is homeomorphic to the product space $X \times \mathcal{H}(X, e)$ where e is the identity of X .

We consider first whether the McCarty's conclusion holds or not without the assumption "local connectedness". The answer is given in §2. In §1 we show that $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a bundle space over X without the assumption "local connectedness". The same conclusion as this has been obtained in [5] already, and

yet here we try to generalize its premise and to improve the proof. The result not only contains the Keesling's remark as a special case but also yields the natural exact homotopy sequence as in [8]. Next we treat applications of our Theorem 1 in §3. There our concern now is mainly in several local connectivities of $\mathcal{H}(X)$, and particularly in local l_2 property. Our main results are Theorems 3 and 4. These are slight generalizations of Theorems 2 and 3 in [5] respectively.

Notations

$\mathcal{H}(\ast)$: The group of all homeomorphisms on a topological space \ast , endowed with the compact-open topology — only in §2 another topology is considered also.

$\mathcal{H}(\ast, a)$: The subspace of $\mathcal{H}(\ast)$, consisting of all those which leave a point a fixed ($a \in \ast$).

$X = G/H$: The left coset space of a Hausdorff topological group G by a closed subgroup H —in the paper we call such a space a *homogeneous space*.

π : The natural projection of G onto X .

These notations will keep these meanings throughout the paper.

1. Bundle structure of $\mathcal{H}(X)$.

We consider a bundle structure of $\mathcal{H}(X)$ after clarifying two concepts used in Theorem 1.

Let p be a continuous map of a space E into another space B . We say that *the space B has a local cross-section f (at a point b in B) relative to p* , if f is a continuous map from a neighborhood U of b into E such that $pf(u) = u$ for each $u \in U$.

Let p , E , and B be the same as above. The space E is called a *bundle space over the base space B relative to the projection p* if there exists a space D such that, for each $b \in B$, there is an open neighborhood V of b in B together with a homeomorphism

$$\psi_V : V \times D \rightarrow p^{-1}(V)$$

of $V \times D$ onto $p^{-1}(V)$ satisfying the condition

$$p\psi_V(v, d) = v \quad (v \in V, d \in D)$$

This terminology is the same as in [3]

THEOREM 1. *Let $X = G/H$ be a homogeneous space, a an arbitrary but fixed point of X , p the map of $\mathcal{H}(X)$ to X defined by $p(\psi) = \psi(a)$ ($\psi \in \mathcal{H}(X)$), and $\mathcal{H}^* = \mathcal{H}(X) / \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ the left coset space (with quotient topology) of*

$\mathcal{H}(X)$ by $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$. Then we have the following.

(a) The map p is a continuous surjection. $\mathcal{H}(X) = \mathcal{L} \circ \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ where \mathcal{L} is the group of all left translations in X . And $\mathcal{L} \cap \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ consists of just one element if and only if H coincides with the maximal normal subgroup of G which is contained in H .

(b) Assume that X has a local cross-section relative to the natural projection $\pi : G \rightarrow X$. Then

i) X has a local cross-section relative to p ,

ii) X is homeomorphic to \mathcal{H}^* in a natural way, and p is a quotient map. And so we can identify X with \mathcal{H}^* .

(c) Assume that X is locally compact and has a local cross-section relative to π . Then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a bundle space over the base space X relative to the projection p .

Proof. It is easy to see (a). We give proofs for (b) and (c).

(b), i) : For each element g of G , let $\omega(g)$ be the left translation in X by g . The map $\omega : g \rightarrow \omega(g)$ ($g \in G$) is a continuous (algebraic) homomorphism of G into $\mathcal{H}(X)$. Now let f be a local cross-section from a neighborhood U of a point x in X into G . For any fixed point g_0 of $\pi^{-1}(a)$, let q be the map of U into $\mathcal{H}(X)$ defined by

$$q(u) = \omega(f(u) \cdot g_0^{-1}) \quad (u \in U).$$

Put $W = q(U)$. Then both maps $q : U \rightarrow W$ and $p|_W : W \rightarrow U$ are homeomorphisms and inverses each other. In particular q is a local cross-section $U \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(X)$ relative to p .

(b) ii) : Let π^* be the natural projection of $\mathcal{H}(X)$ onto \mathcal{H}^* , and put $r = p \circ \pi^{*-1}$. r is well-defined as a map $\mathcal{H}^* \rightarrow X$, and it is a continuous bijection. Now we will show that p is a quotient map. Let O be any nonempty subset of X such that $p^{-1}(O)$ is open in $\mathcal{H}(X)$. For any point x of O , take a local cross-section f at x relative to $\pi : G \rightarrow X$, which is defined on a neighborhood U of x in X . For such f and U , take the local cross-section $q : U \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(X)$ and the set W as in the proof of (b), i). Let $w = q(x)$ and take a neighborhood V of w in $\mathcal{H}(X)$ such that $V \subset p^{-1}(O)$. Then it is easy to see that $p(V \cap W)$ is a neighborhood of x in X , which is contained in O . Thus p is a quotient map. Therefore the map r is a homeomorphism of \mathcal{H}^* onto X .

(c) : For any point x of X , take an open neighborhood U of x and the set W as in the proof of (b), i). Let Φ be the map of the product space $W \times \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ onto $W \circ \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ ($= p^{-1}(U)$) defined by $\Phi(w, \psi) = w \circ \psi$. It is easy to see that Φ is a bijection. Since X is locally compact Hausdorff, Φ is continuous. To show the continuity of Φ^{-1} , in the following let w and ψ be any element of W and $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ respectively. The map that carries $w \circ \psi$ to w is continuous, for $w = (q \circ p)(w \circ \psi)$. The map that carries w to w^{-1} is continuous, for

$$\omega^{-1} = \omega([\mathcal{F}p(\omega) \cdot g_0^{-1}]^{-1}).$$

Hence the map that carries $\omega \circ \psi$ to ψ is continuous, for

$$\psi = \omega^{-1} \circ (\omega \circ \psi).$$

Consequently Φ^{-1} is continuous. Hence Φ is a homeomorphism. From the fact we can show that $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a bundle space over the base space X relative to the projection p .

COROLLARY 1 (J. Keesling [7]). *If X is a locally compact Hausdorff topological group, then \mathcal{L} is isomorphic to X as topological groups and $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is homeomorphic to the product space $X \times \mathcal{H}(X, a)$.*

Proof. In the case we can consider in the proof of Theorem 1 that

$$X = G/\{e\} = U \approx W = \mathcal{L} = \omega(G),$$

where e is the identity of G and \approx means "is homeomorphic to". Then W is a topological group, and the map Φ gives a homeomorphism of $W \times \mathcal{H}(X, a)$ onto $\mathcal{H}(X)$.

2. Fiber bundle structure of $\mathcal{H}(X)$.

We use the following notations τ_c and τ_g only in this section.

τ_c : The compact-open topology on $\mathcal{H}(X)$.

τ_g : The g -topology, named by R. Arens [1], on $\mathcal{H}(X)$ as follows. If A and B are closed and open subsets, respectively, of X , and either A or the complement of B in X is compact, then let $[A, B]$ be the set of $\psi \in \mathcal{H}(X)$ such that $\psi(A) \subset B$. The totality of sets $[A, B]$ are taken as a subbase for the g -topology.

THEOREM 2. *Let the topology τ_g be given on $\mathcal{H}(X)$ in place of τ_c . Then Theorem 1 holds, and moreover, under the assumption of (c) in Theorem 1, $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a principal fiber bundle over X with fiber and group $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$.*

Proof. For the latter assertion, noting the fact that $\mathcal{H}(X)$ with τ_g becomes a topological group ([1], Th. 3) and (b) in Theorem 1, standard application of the bundle structure theorem (cf. [9]) yields the conclusion.

REMARK 1. Under the topology τ_c the latter assertion in Theorem 2 is not true in general. In fact Braconnier [2] gave an example of a totally disconnected, non-compact, locally compact, abelian topological group X whose automorphism group \mathcal{A} is not a topological group under the topology τ_c . Since $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{H}(X, e)$ where e is the identity of X , $\mathcal{H}(X, e)$ is not a topological group under τ_c .

REMARK 2. The topology τ_g is finer than the topology τ_c in general, and if X is a locally compact homogeneous space then τ_g is the coarsest topology for $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ to become a topological group. Thus for the latter assertion in Theorem 2, τ_g is the most desirable topology on $\mathcal{H}(X)$

COROLLARY 2. *Let X be a homogeneous space with a local cross-section relative to π . If i) X is locally connected and locally compact, or ii) X is compact, then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ with topology τ_c is a principal fiber bundle over X with fiber and group $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$.*

Proof. For the case i), by Theorems 3 and 4 of [1] and the fact $\tau_c \subset \tau_g$, τ_g coincides with τ_c on $\mathcal{H}(X)$. For the case ii) it is seen at once that τ_g coincides with τ_c . Hence Theorem 2 yields the conclusion.

In [8] the case i) above was used.

3. Some applications.

Hereafter it is assumed again that the compact-open topology is endowed on every set of homeomorphisms.

A. Homotopy property.

Here we follow the terminology of Hu [3]. As corollaries to Theorem 1 we have the following Corollaries 3 and 4 below.

COROLLARY 3. *If X is a locally compact homogeneous space with a local cross-section relative to π , then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is a fiber space over X relative to p .*

Proof. From (c) in Theorem 1 and Theorem 4.1 in [3] on p. 65.

Thus the powerful machinery of homotopy theory of fiber spaces is available on such $\{\mathcal{H}(X), X, p\}$.

B. Local property.

DEFINITION. A topological property P is called a *finite product local property* abbreviated *FPL property*, if i) a topological space has the property P then every open subspace has the property P , and ii) a product space $A \times B$ has the property P if and only if both spaces A and B have the property P .

REMARK 3. Among those local properties of $\mathcal{H}(M)$ studied for spaces M , for example, the following are FPL properties: locally connected, locally arcwise connected, LC^n LC^ω , locally contractible, ANR. Note that each of these is a kind of property concerning local connectivity. On the other hand though local compactness is also a FPL property, it can be considered on $\mathcal{H}(M)$ only for non-standard spaces M . Because for a metric space M if $\mathcal{H}(M)$ is locally compact then $\mathcal{H}(M)$ is zero-dimensional (cf. [6]), while for a Hausdorff space M at least one point of which is locally Euclidean, $\mathcal{H}(M)$ is infinite-dimensional (cf. [4], Th. 1.5).

COROLLARY 4. *Let X be a locally compact homogeneous space with a local cross-section relative to π . Then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ has a FPL property if and only if both X and $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ have the FPL property.*

Proof. From (c) in Theorem 1, $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is locally homeomorphic to the product space $X \times \mathcal{H}(X, a)$.

DEFINITION. A space is called an l_2 -manifold if it is separable metrizable space and is locally homeomorphic to l_2 , i. e. the Hilbert space of square-summable sequences.

For about thirteen years now it has been conjectured that $\mathcal{H}(M)$ is an l_2 -manifold for a compact metric n -manifold M , and no affirmative answer has been obtained except the cases where n ($=\dim M$) is 1, 2, or ∞ as far as we know.

THEOREM 3. *Let X be a separable metrizable locally compact homogeneous space. Assume that X has a local cross-section relative to π , and admits a nontrivial flow. Then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is an l_2 -manifold if and only if X is an ANR and $\mathcal{H}(X, a)$ is an l_2 -manifold.*

(Here "ANR" means absolute neighborhood retract for the class of all metrizable spaces.)

Proof. The same proof for Th. 2 in [5] is valid, though our assumption on local compactness of X is slightly generalized from Th. 2 in [5]. It is essentially an application of a theorem of Toruńczyk [10] to Corollary 4.

REMARK 4. As partial results of Corollary 4 and Theorem 3, for a locally compact homogeneous space X with a local cross-section, we get a criterion which local property must X have when we expect $\mathcal{H}(X)$ to have the local property as stated in this section.

C. Relations between homeomorphism groups of a space and its punctured space.

The following results are slight generalizations from those in [5].

THEOREM 4. *Let X be a locally connected, compact metrizable homogeneous space. Assume that X is an ANR and has a local cross-section relative to π , and admits a nontrivial flow. Then $\mathcal{H}(X)$ is an l_2 -manifold if and only if $\mathcal{H}(X-a)$ is an l_2 -manifold.*

COROLLARY 5. *If X is a compact (positive dimensional) locally Euclidean homogeneous space with a local cross-section, then the same conclusion as in Theorem 4 holds.*

As an application of Corollary 5, for several non-compact manifolds M , we know that $\mathcal{H}(M)$ are l_2 -manifolds (see [5]).

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